

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A mobile communication device for being coupled to an external device having a short-distance wireless communication function and a server on a network in a manner to enable communications for exchanging data with the external device and the server in accordance with a predetermined protocol, comprising:

short-distance wireless reception means for receiving data from the external device;

network reception means for receiving data from the server;

short-distance wireless transmission means for transmitting data to the external device;

network transmission means for transmitting data to the server;

instruction data receiving means for receiving instruction data from an external source prior to performing a set of data exchanges, wherein the instruction data indicates a protocol in which the set of data exchanges are to be performed;

analysis means for analyzing the instruction data received by the instruction data receiving means; and

switching means for selecting one or more of the short-distance wireless reception means, the network reception means, the short-distance wireless transmission means, and the

network transmission means to create a data
25 transmission/reception path for allowing the set of data
exchanges with the external device and the server to occur in
accordance with the predetermined protocol, wherein the
predetermined protocol is based on an analysis result of the
instruction data by the analysis means.

2. The mobile communication device according to claim 1,
wherein the instruction data is described in XML (Extensible
Markup Language).

3. The mobile communication device according to claim 1,
wherein the instruction data comprises an instruction for
transferring predetermined data from one of the server or the
external device to the other.

4. The mobile communication device according to claim 1,
wherein the instruction data comprises address information for
designating a destination to be accessed when exchanging data with
the server.

5. The mobile communication device according to claim 1,
wherein the instruction data comprises a session ID, and
wherein the mobile communication device further
comprises:

5 session ID addition means for adding to transmission
data the session ID contained in the instruction data analyzed
by the analysis means.

6. A data communication method for exchanging data with
an external device having a short-distance wireless communication
function and a server on a network in accordance with a
predetermined protocol, by using a mobile communication device
5 coupled to and capable of communicating with the external device
and the server, comprising:

an instruction data receiving step of receiving
instruction data from an external source prior to performing a
set of data exchanges, wherein the instruction data indicates a
10 protocol in which the set of data exchanges are to be performed;

an analysis step of analyzing the received instruction
data; and

a data communication step of performing the set of data
exchanges with the external device and the server in accordance
15 with the predetermined protocol, wherein the predetermined
protocol is based on an analysis result of the instruction data.

7. The data communication method according to claim 6,
wherein the instruction data is described in XML (Extensible
Markup Language).

8. The data communication method according to claim 6, wherein the instruction data comprises an instruction for transferring predetermined data from one of the server or the external device to the other.

9. The data communication method according to claim 6, wherein the instruction data comprises address information for designating a destination to be accessed when exchanging data with the server.

10. The data communication method according to claim 6, wherein the instruction data comprises a session ID, and

wherein the method further comprises:

a session ID addition step of adding to transmission
5 data the session ID contained in the instruction data analyzed
by the analysis step.